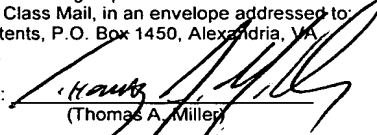


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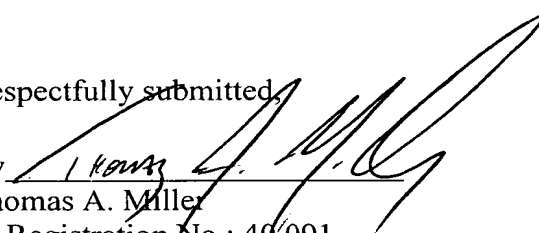
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Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement dated March 1, 2005, Applicants hereby elect the apparatus claims of Group I, namely claims 1-30, for continued examination. Applicants further submit that such claims are in condition for allowance and respectfully solicit same. Should the Examiner have any questions, he is invited to telephone the undersigned.

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